## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:

BIENHAUS, et al.

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## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

**Commissioner for Patents** Washington, D.C. 20231

April 26, 2000

Dear Sir:

In consideration of applicants' duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and 37 C.F.R. §1.97, applicants wish to bring to the Examiner's attention the documents cited in the parent application, U.S. Serial No. 08/930,247, which are listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(d), copies of these documents are not provided.

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Respectfully submitted,

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